**Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.**—I do not think any of the other men is equally good.

**Mr. A. B. Salem.**—In my opinion every one is best fitted to carry out this work.

**President.**—That is a matter of opinion. We shall pass on to the next question.

## Central Ayurvedic Hospital in the State.

**21. Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state what steps have been taken till now for establishing a Central Ayurvedic Hospital in the State?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—The matter is still under the consideration of the Government.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew**—How long is it since this matter has been taken into consideration by the Government?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—About a year.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—When was this resolution passed by the Council?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—In 1926.

**President.**—Do you know the date on which it was passed?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—I cannot give the exact date.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—My question is whether the Government has taken the matter into consideration since the passing of this resolution.

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—Yes.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Then it cannot be exactly one year.

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—Government has taken it into consideration, and is still considering it.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—You said it is one year. But it is a year and half.

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—About a year does not mean exactly one year. It may be some days more or less.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Have any temporary orders been passed?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—No temporary orders have been passed.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—When did the deputation wait upon the Diwan for the first time?

**President.**—We cannot remember the date. It must be soon after the budget session of last year.

**Dr. A. G. Menon.**—In March 1926.

**President.**—Is it before the budget session?

**Mr. K. T. Mathew**—Is it so very unimportant a matter as not to have passed orders yet?

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**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—It is a matter of opinion.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Government is dilatory in passing orders.

**President.**—Of course, you may pass an order in a day, but the Government does not agree with your opinion there.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—You may not agree with me; whether the Covernment considered this matter or not is very important.

**President.**—The answer given must satisfy you.

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—When further information is required by means of a question, the President has only to allow or disallow the question, and I think there is no use of saying that the matter is under consideration.

**President.**—We cannot say that final orders will be passed on such and such a date.

## Representations made by the Cochin Journalists' Association.

**22. Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to inform whether orders have been passed till now with regard to the representations made to the Government by the Cochin Journalists' Association, and if so, what are they?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—Final orders have not been passed.

## Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas.

**23. Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—(a) Will the Government be pleased to inform the number of Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas opened annually by the Government in the last three years;

(b) whether there is any proposal to open Ayurvedic Vaidyasalas in 1103; and if so, how many of them, and what is the amount provided for in the budget for the next year;

(c) whether the Government has considered the question of opening a Vaidyasala for Kadangod; and if so, what is the decision arrived at;

(d) whether there is any Ayurvedic Vaidyasala in Kunnamkulam Constituency?

**Mr. I. Raman Menon.**—(a) Three in 1099 and none in the two succeeding years.

(b) Yes; two. The Member is referred to the programme of expenditure under "2-c—Contribution to Village Panchayats" printed as appendix "A" to the budget for 1103.

(c) The matter is under consideration.

**(d) No.**

**Mr. K. T. Mathew.**—Was no Dispensary opened during the last two years?

**Mr. A. K. Vengu Ayyar.**—None was opened.

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